ENJOYING THE PRESENCE

IN THE SPIRE

AND POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



LUKE 24:49 ESV

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ACTS 1:4-8 ESV

⁴ And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; ⁵ for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." ⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority.

ACTS 1:4-8 ESV

⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

EPHESIANS 5:15-18 CSB

¹⁵ Pay careful attention, then, to how you live—not as unwise people but as wise— ¹⁶ making the most of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ So don't be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. ¹⁸ And don't get drunk with wine, which leads to reckless living, but be filled by the Spirit.

"Jesus doesn't say, wait in Jerusalem until you are born again or converted or put into the body of Christ. He says wait until you are clothed with power. He doesn't say, You shall receive membership in the body of Christ when the Holy Spirit has come upon you. He says, "You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you."

JOHN PIPER

"The essence of being baptized with the Holy Spirit is when a person, who is already a believer, receives extraordinary spiritual power for Christ-exalting ministry."

JOHN PIPER

- 1. Clothed with power
- 2. Continually
- 3. Through Prayer
- 4. For Christ-exalting mission and living

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2. CONTINUALLY

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3. THROUGH PRAYER

LUKE 11:9-13 ESV

⁹And I tell you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. 11 What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; ¹² or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

3. THROUGH PRAYER

ACTS 1:14

All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer,

"God sends no one away, except those who are too full of themselves."

D.L. MOODY

4. FOR CHRIST-EXALTING MISSION

ACTS 1:8

⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, **and you will be my witnesses** in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Has the Great Commission been translated into a specific vision for your life?

Has part of the Great Commission become a personal assignment for you?

J.D. GREEAR

"Trying to do the Lord's work in your own strength is the most confusing, exhausting, and tedious of all work. But when you are filled with the Holy Spirit, then the ministry of Jesus just flows out of you."

CORRIE TEN BOOM

GOD DOESN'T WANT YOUR STRENGTH. HE WANTS TO GIVE YOU HIS.